On page 14, please amend the abstract of the disclosure as follows:

Abstract ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A connecting device (1) is used to mechanically connect a motor housing (2) of a motor (5) to a transmission housing (3) of a transmission (7). The motor (5) acts on the transmission (7) via a motor shaft (6). The connecting device (1) has a connecting element (15, 26), which can connect the motor housing (2) indirectly to the transmission housing (3). The connecting element (15, 26) is embodied so that when the motor housing (2) moves relative to the transmission housing (3) in a rotating fashion around an axis (25) predetermined by the motor shaft (6), the connecting element (15, 26) can be at least partially deformed. (Fig. 1)